

Ultra Mega Power Projects

2983. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

- (a) how many Ultra Mega Power Projects are being built presently;
- (b) how many more Ultra Mega Power Projects (UMPPs) are under consideration for approval;
- (c) the proposed location thereof;
- (d) whether there is a proposal to complete all the UMPPs in the Eleventh Five Year Plan;
- (e) whether Andhra Pradesh will benefit from these UMPPs; and
- (f) the details of steps proposed to meet power requirements of Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) to (c) Central Electricity Authority has identified nine sites for development of coal based ultra mega power projects (UMPP) of about 4000 MW capacity each under tariff based competitive bidding. The project sites are as under:

- (i) Sasan (Madhya Pradesh)
- (ii) Mundra (Gujarat)
- (iii) Akaltara (Chhattisgarh)
- (iv) Giryre (Maharashtra)
- (v) Tadri (Karnataka)
- (vi) Sundergarh District (Orissa)
- (vii) Krishnapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)
- (viii) Tilaiya, Jharkhand
- (ix) Cheyyur, Tamil Nadu.

Out of the above mentioned projects bidding process has already been completed in respect of Mundra UMPP and Sasan UMPP. Bidding process has been initiated in respect of another two projects namely Krishnapatnam UMPP and Tilaiya UMPP. Bidding process in respect of remaining five

projects is contingent upon the availability of requisite clearances/provision of alternatives sites from the concerned State Governments which are being got expedited.

(d) While the UMPPs are expected to be taken up during the Eleventh Plan, the benefits are likely to flow beyond the Eleventh Plan period.

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. Andhra Pradesh is an identified beneficiary from the proposed UMPPs. 1600 MW of power has been earmarked for the State from the proposed Krishnapatnam UMPP in Andhra Pradesh and 400 MW from UMPP to be located in Tamil Nadu.

In addition, during the Eleventh Plan in Andhra Pradesh capacity addition to the tune of 3534 MW in the State Sector, 1000 MW in the Central Sector and 909 MW in the Private Sector has been envisaged.

MoU for implementation of power sector reforms

2984. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that not only the target for additional power generation and capacity installation been missed in two successive Five Year Plans, but also the losses incurred by the State power utilities have risen in 2006-07;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government, by putting on the table a Memorandum of Understanding to implement power sector reforms, have convinced the States to carry out reforms more vigorously; and

(d) if so, the details of views given by the States in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) It is a fact that the target for additional power generation and capacity installation has been missed during Ninth and Tenth Five Year plans. The main reasons for not achieving the targets are given below:

(i) Delay in placement of award

(ii) Selection of projects based on super critical technology